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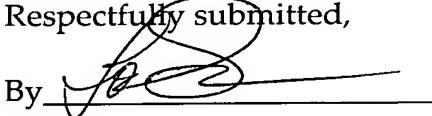
The application has been reviewed in light of the *Ex parte Quayle* action mailed on April 20, 2005. Non-elected and withdrawn claims 6, 9-11, 21-15 and 27-30 have been cancelled without prejudice. Applicants reserve the right to pursue the cancelled claims in other applications. Allowed claims 18-20 and 26 are now pending in this application.

The objections raised by the *Ex parte Quayle* action have been addressed by the foregoing amendments. In particular, Applicants have amended the title and the reference to the prior application. A new abstract has been added that is related to the claimed invention. In addition, claims 18-20 and 26 have been amended to reflect minor changes suggested in the Office Action. Applicants wish to emphasize, as pointed out by the Office Action, that the "changes do not affect the scope of the claimed invention."

In view of the above amendments and remarks, Applicants believe the pending application is in condition for allowance.

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